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SUBJECT: ICELAND-UK FISHERIES DISPUTE: GOI ANNOUNCES ACTION IN
WAKE OF LATEST RAMMINGS

REF: REYKJAVIK 0025 (DTG 071550Z JAN 76) AND AMBASSADOR IRVING-
PINKNEY (EUR/NE) TELECON TODAY

1. GOI HELD MEETING THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS LATEST ICELAND/UK
FISHERIES INCIDENT. FOLLOWING IS ENGLISH TEXT OF COMMUNIQUE GOI
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ISSUED AT 1600 HOURS TODAY LOCAL TIME.

2. BEGIN QUOTE:

THE GOVERNMENT IN A MEETING THIS MORNING DISCUSSED THE SERIOUS SITUATION NOW PREVAILING ON THE ICELANDIC FISHING GROUNDS BECAUSE OF THE BRITISH NAVAL INTERVENTION AND UNLAWFUL FISHING OPERATION BY BRITISH TRAWLERS INSIDE THE 200 MILES FISHERIES JURISDICTION.

THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED ON THE FOLLOWING COURSE OF ACTION:

1. THE PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS WILL VISIT THE CAPITALS OF THE EUROPEAN MEMBER STATES OF NATO AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ICELAND AND WILL, ALONG WITH AMBASSADORS OF ICELAND TO THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES, EXPLAIN TO THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION, WHICH HAS BEEN CREATED BY THE UNLAWFUL USE OF FORCE BY THE BRITISH NAVY, AND SEEK THEIR SUPPORT WITHIN THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.

2. ICELAND'S AMBASSADORS TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA WILL COME TO ICELAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING FURTHER EFFORTS IN MAKING ICELAND'S CAUSE BETTER KNOWN TO THE STATES REPRESENTED IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS, AND TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

3. THE ICELANDIC PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO NATO WILL REQUEST THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NATO COUNCIL BE CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE OF REITERATING THE CHARGES ALREADY BROUGHT BY ICELAND, AND TO EXPLAIN THE LATEST INCIDENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

4. THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO, MR. JOSEPH LUNS, WILL BE REQUESTED TO VISIT ICELAND FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

5. AFTER THE CASE HAS BEEN MADE BETTER KNOWN TO THE MEMBER STATES OF NATO ANOTHER MEETING OF THE NATO COUNCIL WILL BE REQUESTED.

THE ICELANDIC GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS IT INEVITABLE THAT A CONTINUATION OF DELIBERATE RAMMINGS BY BRITISH WAR SHIPS ON ICELANDIC COAST GUARD VESSELS WILL LEAD TO THE SEVERING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GREAT BRITAIN. END QUOTE.

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